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TO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO
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USDAO COLOMBO SRI LANKA

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARA3, LINE 6 OMITTED)

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MNUC, OCLR, CE

SUBJECT: USS TRUXTUN VISIT TO COLOMBO

REFS: A. COLOMBO 3315 (DTG 21104;Z JUL 78)
B. COLOMBO 3572 (DTG 071025Z AUG 78) PASEP
C. COLOMBO 3539 (DTG 040630Z AUG 78)

1. WE WERE PLEASED WITH THE HIGHLY FAVORABLE OUTCOME OF USS
TRUXTUN'S FIRST NPW VISIT TO SRI LANKA. BUT WE HAVE SOME
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RESIDUAL CONCERN ABOUT THE PROVISIONAL CLEARANCE QUOTED IN
PARA 4B OF REFTEL A.

2. FROM REFTEL B, IT IS APPARENT THAT ACTION TO CLARIFY THE
INTENT OF THE DIPLOMATIC NOTE COULD NOT BE TAKEN IN ADVANCE
OF THE SHIPS ARRIVAL. WHILE IT APPEARS FROM REFTEL C THAT
GSL HAD NO ULTERIOR MOTIVE IN ISSUING THE PROVISIONAL VISIT

CLEARANCE, WE BELIEVE THE RECORD SHOULD BE SET STRAIGHT IN AN OFFICIAL, BUT LOW KEY, MANNER.

3. WE SUGGEST AN INFORMAL MEMORANDUM BE PRESENTED TO THE MFA CONFIRMING EMB OFFS CONVERSATION, AND STATING THAT THE USG DESIRES TO ELIMINATE ANY CONFUSION THAT MAY HAVE RESULTED FROM THE WORDING OF THE DIPLOMATIC NOTE APPROVING THE VISIT BY USS TRUXTUN. THE USG POLICY NEITHER TO CONFIRM NOR DENY THE PRESENCE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON ITS VESSELS REMAINS UNCHANGED, AND APPLIED EQUALLY TO THE VISIT TO COLOMBO BY USS TRUXTUN.

4. IN PRESENTING SUCH A MEMORANDUM, EMBASSY MAY WISH TO ADD ORALLY THAT IT IS BEING PROVIDED SO THAT THE RECORD WILL CLEARLY REFLECT NO CHANGE HAD OCCURRED IN THE POLICIES OF EITHER GOVERNMENT. VANCE

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